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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Noboru OKADA et al.

Application No.: 09/726,548

Filed: December 1, 2000

For: TIRE FORMING SYSTEM AND TIRE FORMING METHOD

Attorney Docket No.: OGW-0019

Examiner: G. Knable

Art Unit: 1733

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT**Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Supplemental Amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee for the claims as amended has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED							
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID	PRESENT EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY RATE		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	8 MINUS	20 =	0	X \$9	OR	\$18	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	2 MINUS	3 =	0	X \$42	OR	\$84	\$0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims \$140/\$280					OR		
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT			\$0.00

- ☐ A Letter to the Official Draftsperson is enclosed.
- ☐ An Associate Power of Attorney and Change of Name and Address is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 18-0013. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

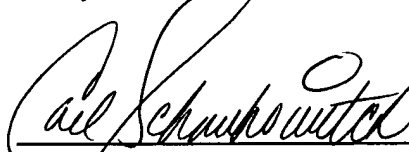
- ☐ Any prior general authorization to charge an Issue Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 18-0013 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-0013. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 18-0013 to cover the Extension fee for response within _____month(s). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed
- ☒ Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached by telephone in our Washington D.C. Office at (202) 955-3750.

All correspondence should be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: October 8, 2002

By:

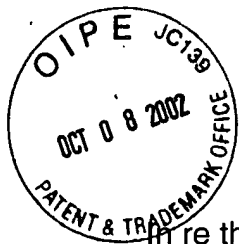


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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Supplemental to the Amendment filed on October 3, 2002, in response to the Office Action dated July 3, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 5, 7 and 8 as set forth below in clean form. Additionally, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.121(c)(1)(ii), the amended claim(s) are set forth in a marked-up version in the page(s) attached to this Amendment.

B1 SUB 1. (Twice Amended) A tire forming system including a band forming machine, a shaping forming machine and a belt/tread forming machine, in each of which setting conditions of a tire size can be optionally changed, and having transport means for delivering a semi-fabricated product to each forming machine, wherein as means for supplying a band member there are provided:

(1) inner liner supply means for cutting a inner liner sheet material having a width, in which a splice margin is added to a band periphery length, to a length corresponding to a specification width of a formed tire, and supplying the cut inner liner to the band forming machine;

(2) carcass supply means for cutting a carcass sheet material having a width, in which a splice margin is added to a band periphery length, to a length